

## PARISIAN PRESS IDEAS

TO peruse the Paris newspapers is to discover the most amazing statements about America and Americans; absurd, ridiculous things which reveal to the reader the unfortunate paucity of the Parisian's knowledge of the world. These errors occur in the very best journals of Paris, and under editors who stand high in the newspaper world and should know better.

Here are a few examples culled from the leading papers of Paris, of the sort of statements commonly passed out to the innocent French reader:

An article discussing the fuel used in different countries includes this statement, "In America the houses are heated by natural gas which comes from the Rocky Mountains in tubes or pipes and enters the houses all over the country. No other fuel is now in use in America."

Another enlightening article relates that "All the country west of Chicago is a desert to the California; but it has been marked off with multitudinous ditches which are kept filled with water from the great Mississippi River, and thus the land is made fertile and crops may be grown."

This about American Indians is amusing: "The American Indians are no longer a menace to civilization. They now live quietly on the outskirts of all American cities in quarters provided for them and called 'Indian Reservations.' They may be seen at any time wandering the streets in their blankets and feathers; but they are now quite subdued, the white people no longer fear them."

Here is indeed a piece of news: "Canada is a great country and is proud of having been the birthplace of the greatest American patriot, George Washington."

A long article on the Mormon faith says, "The Mormons are a strange religious sect founded by the Rev. Arthur Smith about thirty years ago. Mr. Smith was a contemporary of Mrs. Mary Eddy, the Christian Science founder; but the two could not agree in their faiths, and Mr. Smith went West in a caravan with thousands of followers, many of whom were killed by the Indians in crossing the deserts of America. Mormons have many wives, like the followers of Islam, and they are to be found in all American cities with their large families."

An article on the progress of science in France says, "It was at this time that our eminent countryman, Joffroy, invented the steamboat," and, "Naturally, the American inventor, Edison, is entitled to honor for his work; but in comparison with our own great savants his position is but a minor one."

The Parisian is enlightened as to the course of most of our fortunes in this wise, "The reason why so many of the great American fortunes are made in pork packing is because the staple of diet in America is pigs. Everybody eats pig three times a day, just as the Englishman eats roast beef three times a day. The demand for this article of diet therefore has been the means of many Americans founding great fortunes."

THE truly democratic origin of our great men is the subject for another article. It tells us, "The Presidents of the great American Republic have all been of humble origin. The great Lincoln was a tailor, and worked in great poverty for many years prior to his taking his place as President. President Cleveland was a New Jersey farmer, and was perhaps the most prosperous of all the Presidents in his early life. After he had served several terms he returned to his farm at Prince's Town and continued to lead the life of a farmer until he died, doing much of the work with his own hands because he liked to."

"President Roosevelt is of Jewish descent, though not of the orthodox faith, his people having been converted to the Puritan and Pilgrim faith soon after they emigrated to the New World. Mr. Roosevelt was a policeman for many years before he entered political life, and was also a midshipman in the navy for a time. He has always plainly shown his humble origin, and during his terms at the White House would take long vacations and join parties of the roughest kind of men and live with them for weeks, — lumbermen, cattle herders, and miners. His 'high life' existence was always distasteful to him, and he lived the life of a humble workman even at the White House, Mrs. Roosevelt serving his meals for him, so distasteful were servants to him."

We are told "The 'Sky Sweepers' of New York are modeled on the idea of the Eiffel Tower; but covered with stone. The people who live in the upper apartments are the poorer classes; but their rooms are airy and light, which is really better than living in dark quarters near the ground as they did

on the 'East Side' in the days before 'Sky Sweepers' were built."

Suffragettes will be interested to read the following, "In America woman suffrage has been accepted. The women vote, enter all political positions, and it is said that ere long there will be a woman President. But the unfortunate result of suffrage is that the American woman has become insufferable. She rules with an iron hand, and men are but puppets to her. A Frenchman cannot understand why American men will submit to this 'bossing.' They seem to be afraid of their women and in fear obey them."

The following small items also appeared: "When the Panama Canal is opened it will create greater trade relations between New York and San Francisco."

"Siberian miners are now employed almost exclusively in the mines of Alaska."

"Canada and the United States are on very unfriendly terms, and Canada is now preparing a large navy because war between the two countries is impending."

"All laundry in America is done by Chinese and Japanese."

"Boston, the home of the 'Cake Walk,' is said to be the most cultivated city in America."

"New Orleans, which was swept out of existence by a tidal wave a few years ago, is now a flourishing city once more."

"The diamond mines of Texas are a source of great wealth to the people."

"Thanksgiving is a fête day, very popular among Americans, as the Declaration of Independence was made on that day."

"The New Thought is the name of a new study in the schools of New York."

"Mrs. James Brown Potter, a charming actress, is the daughter of the late Archbishop Potter of New York."

—Thorndike Colton.

## CEREMONIAL PUZZLES

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to use the first name in addressing Cabinet officers, Presidents, and such, one uses the full names of Senators and Representatives. On the outside envelop it is, for example, "Hon. and Mrs. John W. Kern," though on the inside envelop just "Senator and Mrs. Kern." A member of the House and his wife would be addressed as "Hon. and Mrs. Rudolph Basil Hicks" on the outside envelop, and merely as "Mr. and Mrs." on the inside one. The joke of all this is that Senators and Representatives have the front elevation of their names used because these men are numerous and common. Cabinet officers and others are addressed merely by their titles and last names because they have been singled out of the mob—just as it is proper to refer to Nero, or Charlemagne, or Noah, without bothering about the first name.

In this class also comes the Speaker of the House. The proper thing is to write it, "The Speaker and Mrs. Clark—carefully omitting the Champ, or Beauchamp."

In the diplomatic list one bumps into a lot more "trick stuff," put there to add to the general confusion and hilarity of things. Different Ambassadors are addressed in different ways. For example, the French Ambassador is entitled to, "His Excellency, The Ambassador of the French Republic, and Madame Jusserand"; but the German Ambassador and his wife must be addressed, "His Excellency, The Imperial German Ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff."

It is a good deal like learning the conjugations in a new language. Just when you think you have it down fairly pat, you strike a mess of irregular verbs and exceptions to rules.

Aside from the French and German Ambassadors, the rule is that the address may read, "His Excellency the Ambassador of Italy," etc.; but the complications are increased by the fact that there is an exception to the rule. In the case of the Japanese representative, instead of calling him "His Excellency the Ambassador of Japan," he is "His Excellency the Japanese Ambassador."

Now, if a man is merely a Minister or a chargé d'affaires, he is not called "His Excellency." Officially he is no more an Excellency than the proverbial rabbit. Invitations to them read, "The Chargé d'affaires of Gehenna and Mrs. FitzDoe," or "The Minister of Sichandsich and Mrs. Roe." Again there is an exception. Instead of saying "The Minister of Siam," his invitation must be to "The Siamese Minister."

So it goes, throughout a long list. You can imagine the pitfalls. The only way to do is to take a week off, or go to some good night school and study the proposition out.

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